



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Adress: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

| APPLICATION NO.   | FILING DATE | FIRST NAMED INVENTOR | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.     | CONFIRMATION NO.       |
|---|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 10/039,999  | 10/24/2010  | Derek K. Gauger      | GDK-100-B               | 9338                   |
| 7590<br>YOUNG & BASILE, P.C.<br>Suite 624<br>3001 West Big Beaver Road<br>Troy, MI 48084-3107 |             | 09/24/2010           | EXAMINER<br>VIG, NAresh |                        |
|   |             |                      | ART UNIT<br>3629        | PAPER NUMBER           |
|   |             |                      | MAIL DATE<br>09/24/2010 | DELIVERY MODE<br>PAPER |

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

**DETAILED ACTION**

In response to Appellant's Reply Brief filed 16 September 2010, the Reply Brief has been NOTED and acknowledged by the Examiner.

Since no further response by the appellant is deemed necessary, the application has been forwarded to the Board of Appeals and Interferences for decision on the Appeal.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to NARESH VIG whose telephone number is (571)272-6810. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu 7:00 - 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jamisue Plucinski can be reached on (571) 272-6811. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

September 22, 2010

/Naresh Vig/  
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3629